

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please cancel claims 1-4, 7, 10-12, 17-19, 24-32, 59-62, 66, 71, 73, 74 and 80 without prejudice.**

**Please amend claim 5 to read as follows:**

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**5. (Amended)** A lighting device comprising:


(a) an electroluminescence device which acts as a light source; and

(b) an optical conductor which introduces a light emitted from said electroluminescence device, to a liquid crystal display device,

said electroluminescence device being formed on an end surface of said optical conductor,

said electroluminescence device is comprised of a plurality of electroluminescence device groups each including a plurality of sub-devices emitting lights having different wavelengths from one another, and

said electroluminescence device groups are periodically repeatedly arranged in a direction in which sub-devices are arranged.

 **[ Please amend claim 6 to read as follows: ]**

**6. (Amended)** A lighting device comprising:

(a) an electroluminescence device which acts as a light source; and

(b) an optical conductor which introduces a light emitted from said electroluminescence device, to a liquid crystal display device,

said electroluminescence device being formed on an end surface of said optical conductor,

said electroluminescence device is comprised of a plurality of electroluminescence device groups each including a plurality of sub-devices emitting lights having different wavelengths from one another, and

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said electroluminescence device groups are periodically repeatedly arranged in a direction perpendicular to a direction in which sub-devices are arranged.

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[Please amend claim 8 to read as follows:]

8. (Amended) A lighting device comprising:

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(a) an electroluminescence device which acts as a light source; and  
(b) an optical conductor which introduces a light emitted from said electroluminescence device, to a liquid crystal display device,

said electroluminescence device being formed on an end surface of said optical conductor,

said electroluminescence device is comprised of a plurality of electroluminescence device groups each including a plurality of sub-devices emitting lights having different wavelengths from one another, and partitions between which said sub-devices are arranged or which at least partially surrounds said sub-devices.

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Please amend claim 13 to read as follows:

13. (Amended) A lighting device comprising:

(a) an electroluminescence device which acts as a light source; and  
(b) an optical conductor which introduces a light, emitted from said electroluminescence device, to a liquid crystal display device,

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said electroluminescence device being formed on an end surface of said optical conductor,

said electroluminescence device is comprised of a plurality of electroluminescence device groups each including a plurality of sub-devices emitting lights having different wavelengths from one another,

said electroluminescence device has a multi-layered structure

including a transparent electrode layer, a hole-injecting layer, a light-emitting layer, an electron-transporting layer, and a metal electrode layer stacked in this order as viewed from said optical conductor and

at least one of said metal electrode layer, said electron-transporting layer, said hole-injecting layer and said transparent electrode layer is formed across said sub-devices such that each of said sub-devices commonly includes said at least one of said metal electrode layer, said electron-transporting layer, said hole-injecting layer and said transparent electrode layer.

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**Please amend claim 20 to read as follows:**

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20. (Amended) The lighting device as set forth in claim 1, further comprising a light-permeable expander formed on said end surface of said optical conductor, said electroluminescence device being formed on said expander such that a dispersion angle of a light emitted from said electroluminescence device is reduced.

**Please amend claim 21 to read as follows:**

21. (Amended) The lighting device as set forth in claim 20, wherein said electroluminescence device has a shape reflecting a shape of a surface of said expander.

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**Please amend claim 22 to read as follows:**

22. (Amended) The lighting device as set forth in claim 21, wherein said expander has an arcuate surface.

**Please amend claim 23 to read as follows:**

23. (Amended) The lighting device as set forth in claim 20, wherein said electroluminescence device is comprised of a transparent

electrode layer, a holeinjecting layer, a light-emitting layer, an electron-transporting layer and a metal electrode layer stacked in this order as viewing from said optical conductor, and wherein

said expander has an index of refraction greater than indices of refraction of said hole-injecting layer, said light-emitting layer and said electron-transporting layer.

**Please amend claim 67 to read as follows:**

**67. (Amended)** The method as set forth in claim 66, further comprising the step of (b) forming a light-permeable expander on said end surface of said optical conductor, said electroluminescence device being formed on said expander.

**Please amend claim 72 to read as follows:**

**72. (Amended)** A method of fabricating a lighting device including an electroluminescence device which acts as a light source, and an optical conductor which introduces a light emitted from said electroluminescence device, to a liquid crystal display device,

comprising the steps of:

(a) forming said electroluminescence device on an end surface of said optical conductor,

(b) forming a wiring pattern on said end surface of said optical conductor; and

(c) electrically connecting a transparent electrode and a metal electrode of said electroluminescence device to said wiring pattern through an electrical conductor.